

# Gaiety Theatre Dublin

Directors : Eamónn Andrews, Lorcan Bourke, Fred O'Donovan, Dermot Cafferky

NOV. 30th to DEC. 12th, 1970

Dublin Grand Opera Society

presents

International Opera Season

TONIGHT :

*Fidelio*

(BEETHOVEN)



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# **GAIETY THEATRE DUBLIN**

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Telegrams : Gaiety Dublin

Telephone 771717

**Nightly at 7.45 p.m.**

**Resident Manager : Joe Kearns**

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**Commencing Monday, 30th Nov., 1970**

**DUBLIN GRAND OPERA SOCIETY**

**presents in**

**An International Season of Opera**

**CARMEN**

**(BIZET)**

**FIDELIO**

**(BEETHOVEN)**

**TALES OF HOFFMANN**

**(OFFENBACH)**

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NAPOLEONE ANNOVAZZI      ALBERT ROSEN

**Producer : PHILIPPE PERROTTET**

**Stage Director : PATRICK McCLELLAN**

**Chorus Masters :**

Visiting : DAVID EVANS

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Assistant : JOHN BRADY

**Choreographer : SYLVIA BEHAN**

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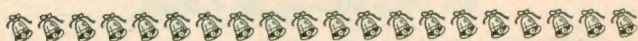
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# **FIDELIO**

## **ACT I**

Don Florestan, hated by the prison governor, has disappeared from the world. Florestan's wife, suspecting the truth, and in disguise, secures a post as assistant to the jailer Rocco. She learns that her husband is in fact alive and in the deepest dungeon. Meanwhile, impressed by "his" charm, Rocco's daughter, Marcellina, falls in love with Fidelio, who is unable to disclose that she is Leonora, for fear of prejudicing the intended rescue.

### **Scene 2**

As Don Ferrando, the King's minister, is about to inspect the prison, Pizzaro, in alarm, decides to do away with Florestan, his enemy, beforehand. Fidelio, in despair, learns of the plot. She hopes to get a message to her husband when he is led out with the other prisoners for exercise, but he does not appear with them and she is ordered with Rocco to dig a grave.

## **ACT 2 — Scene 1**

Fidelio has succeeded in penetrating to Florestan's dungeon where, weak from hardship, she gives him food, and he does not recognise her. Pizzaro rushes into the dungeon to slay Florestan, but is prevented by Fidelio, who discloses her true identity. As trumpets announce the approach of the minister, they are in each other's arms.

### **Scene 2**

Don Fernando frees Florestan and Pizzaro is chained instead. The minister felicitates Florestan on the love of such a wife, while Marcellina consoles herself with Jacquino who had loved her all the while.

Tuesday, 1st December

Thursday, 3rd December

# FIDELIO

(LUDWIG VAN BEETHOVEN)

First produced : Theatre an der Wien

Text by Joseph Sonnleithner and Frederic Treitschke

(By arrangement with British

Time : 18th Century

Note : The overture to Fidelio is played before the opera. The L

DRAMATIS PERSONAE

**Florestan** (a Spanish nobleman)

**Leonora** (his wife in male attire as Fidelio)

**Don Fernando** (the King's minister)

**Don Pizzaro** (the prison governor)

**Rocco** (chief jailer)

**Marcellina** (his daughter)

**Jacquino** (Rocco's assistant)

**1st Prisoner**

**2nd Prisoner**

SOLDIERS, PRISONERS

Conductor : ALBERT ROSEN

Producer : PHILIPPE PERROTTET

Sets designed by PHILIPPE PERROTTET

built at Gaiety workshop and painted under the  
supervision of ROBERT HEADE



Saturday, 5th December

Friday, 11th December

# ELIO

(BEETHOVEN)

en, Vienna, November 20th, 1805

schke after the drama by Jean Nicolas Bouilly

h & Continental, London)

Place : A fortress for political prisoners near Seville

Leonora overture No. 3 is played before Scene 2, Act 2

PERSONAE :

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